

## SAYS HOTEL MAN SOLD HER DRINKS

Sixteen-Year-Old Girl, Found  
Drunk, Causes Arrest of  
Proprietor of Park.

## HER MALE COMPANION HELD AS A WITNESS

Jessie Moran, Formerly of Penn-  
sylvania, Comes Over From  
Manchester to Visit Friends  
and Is Victim of Horrifying  
Experience—Cases Come  
Up To-day.

COLDLY indifferent to the fact that she had been arrested for drunkenness, and in that condition gazed upon by a crowd of bystanders while awaiting the arrival of the patrol wagon, Jennie Moran, sixteen years old, of No. 801 Semmes Street, Manchester, late yesterday afternoon, after she had remained since the night before in a private cell on the second floor of the First Police Station, meekly said to one who chided to pass her door: "I'm tired of this place. Will you please let me out?"

Long before the time the pitiful appeal for freedom was made by the girl, J. F. Luck, twenty years old, of Barton Heights, who is alleged to have been with her when she took the drinks which caused her to become intoxicated, and J. Marshall Atkinson, proprietor of the Park Hotel, where the beverages are alleged to have been bought, both of whom were arrested, had been called.

Selling to Minors.  
Luck spent Saturday night in the station house, where he had been taken to be held as a witness against Atkinson. Just before closing time, at midnight Saturday, a citizen is alleged to have told Policeman Sherry that the girl had left the rathskeller, situated in the rear of the basement of the hotel, in a very drunken condition. It was a few minutes after this that he and Sergeant Sowell made the arrests.

Luck was not drunk when arrested, but his female companion was thoroughly intoxicated. The girl was asked yesterday why she had been locked up, and her reply was: "I got too drunk to go home, and the next thing I knew about it I had been arrested and brought here. I don't know why I got drunk, but I do know there were a good many people there. I thought Luck was drunk, too."

She gradually lost some of the indifference which characterized her actions earlier in the day, and in the afternoon cried incessantly. When supper was passed into her last night, she asked that Father Coleman, of Manchester, be called. The priest could not be reached by telephone. There was one person who called to ask about her during the day, but no application for bail was made.

The Girl's History.  
Miss Moran would not discuss her past history, and the only information she volunteered was that she lived with a married man, who was 301 Semmes Street. Not until a Times-Dispatch reporter visited the house indicated by the number the prisoner had her pitiful plight.

R. T. Dobson, the brother-in-law, stated that the girl left home Saturday night, saying she would visit Miss Annie Gregory, of Church Hill. "When she did not return we were not surprised," he said, "and did not think anything unusual had happened until you brought us this distressing news." No sooner had he said this than Miss Dobson started out for Richmond.

He visited the girl in her cell, but as he is not a property owner he could not go her bail. Miss Moran came South from Norristown, Pa., last summer, and is employed in a Columbia street. The man promises to be on hand when the case against his sister-in-law is called in the Police Court to-day. Her father is a railroad man.

Case Against Atkinson.  
Policeman Sherry's assertion is that he has a strong case against the hotel proprietor, and it is said that both Luck and the girl will testify that they purchased the liquor in the Park Hotel rathskeller. Other witnesses will also be summoned.

In connection with the warrant, Mr. Atkinson, who was arrested at 2 o'clock yesterday morning, said last night that so far as he was able to ascertain the information upon which it was issued came from Luck and Miss Moran.

"I have not been able to find out whether or not they were in the rathskeller," he said, "and will not be able to do so until my employees have seen them."

"During the evening a young man and a young woman came in for supper, and called for drinks, although it became known in some way that he had no money, and consequently was not served."

"I shall certainly be able to prove that they did not buy drinks in the Park, and while I am endeavoring to elevate the standard of the hotel, it should appear to everybody that I would not be so lacking in business sense as to violate the law and thereby forfeit a saloon license and injure my reputation and that of the house."

Judge Witt has frequently given proprietors of the 150 licensed saloons to understand that a conviction of selling whiskey to minors will be considered ample cause for the revocation of a privilege. Atkinson will be represented by Attorney Gilbert Follock.

## ARRESTED IN TENNESSEE

Charged With Murder of Brother-in-Law, Willing to Go Back.  
ATLANTA, GA., January 10.—Dan Garvin, twenty-five years old, charged by the relatives of William Lawrence Buck with his murder Saturday night near his home in Atlanta, was arrested shortly after noon to-day in Chattanooga, Tenn. Deputy Sheriff Minor, of Fulton county, left for Chattanooga to-night, and will return tomorrow with Garvin, who has been expressing a willingness to waive extradition papers.

When within fifty yards of his home Saturday night, carrying on his arm a small basket of groceries, Buck was fired upon, three shots being fired, from which he died within a few minutes after being carried into his home. Garvin married the sister of Mrs. Buck, but for the past year he and his wife have not been living together. Mrs. Garvin remaining at the home of Buck's parents, is known to have been mad with Buck because of this, and suspicion was at once directed toward him by relatives of the dead man.

## WILL PROBE DEAL

Senate Will Not Pass Over Absorption of T. C. and I. by Steel Trust.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 10.—When the Senate Committee on the Judiciary meets to-morrow it is expected that a subcommittee will be appointed to consider the Cuban resolution directing an inquiry into the absorption of the Tennessee Steel Corporation by the United States Steel Corporation.

The resolution introduced by Senator Culberson called upon Attorney-General Bump for an explanation of the acquisition of the Tennessee company by the steel company, and the members of the Senate are not satisfied with the explanation given. They want to permit an answer to come from the Department of Justice.

In event it is found by the committee that the absorption was in violation of the Sherman act, and the report of the committee is adopted, it is likely that a resolution will be introduced to prevent the deal. General to bring an action against the steel corporation.

The fact that the President has assumed entire responsibility for the apparent approval of the deal by the Attorney-General will undoubtedly tend to widen the breach between the administration and Congress if a radical step is taken.

## FLORIDA BLUE LAWS

Sheriff and Deputies Start Out to Enforce.  
PENSACOLA, FLA., January 10.—The Florida blue laws were strictly enforced to-day in Pensacola. Sheriff Van Pelt's order to arrest all persons who were arrested on Sunday, work being limited only by the instructions of the county solicitor, who advised him yesterday that he would have no right to stop the operation of the street-cars and public hacks, the solicitor holding that these were public necessities.

Another business man, upon leaving his office, where they had gone to read their morning mail, were placed under arrest, and to-morrow morning will be charged with charges of violating the law prohibiting working on the Sabbath. All stores, including fruit stands, drink establishments, and cigar stores, were closed, and not even a cigarette could be purchased.

Sheriff Van Pelt, with a large number of special deputies, went out early this morning, and a decidedly close watch was kept on the business section, strict orders having been given to the deputies to arrest anyone observed working or who attempted to do any work.

## SENSATIONAL SUICIDE

Merchant, Under Arrest, Goes to Chamber and Shoots Himself.  
ALEXANDRIA, LA., January 10.—J. E. Lacour, a young merchant of this city, committed suicide at his home here late yesterday afternoon under sensational circumstances.

Ed Ford, a negro, arrested on the charge of burning a store owned by Lacour, this morning confessed to the crime and declared Lacour paid him to burn the building. Lacour was placed under arrest to-day. When a deputy sheriff arrived to take him to the station, he was found in his chamber, in which place he was located. Lacour secured the officer's consent to accompany him to his home, and he was found there, having shot himself through the brain. He was dead when his wife and the officer reached him.

## TRIBUTES TO PROCTOR

House of Representatives Pays Marks of Respect to Dead Senator.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 10.—Tributes of respect were paid to-day to the memory of the late Senator Redfield Proctor, of Vermont, who died during the first session of the present Congress.

In striking contrast to the stirring scene of the past week, the historic chamber was transformed into a place of mourning. The members of the House of Representatives were attired in black, and the chamber was draped in mourning. The late Senator's remains were brought to the city, and a large number of people gathered to pay their last respects.

## WOMEN DRIVERS

Will Handle Automobiles in Run From New York to Philadelphia.  
NEW YORK, January 10.—More than a dozen automobiles driven by women will start from here at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning, to-morrow morning, to Philadelphia and return. The rules of the run provide that the women drivers must handle their own cars, and that any passenger carried must be a woman. Not a man will be allowed in the cars.

Several receptions have been arranged for the fair motorists en route, including one by the Quaker City Motor Club in Philadelphia to-morrow night, at which Mayor Reuben is expected to make an address of welcome.

## BROTHER CHARLES ARRIVES

President-Elect Is Receiving Many Visitors at Bon Air.  
AUGUSTA, GA., January 10.—Charles P. Tatt, with his wife and daughter, Miss Louise, arrived here to-night and were met at the station by the President-elect and Mrs. Tatt. They expect to remain here until the President-elect leaves for Panama City.

## LIQUOR BILL TO PASS CONGRESS

Senator Knox Has Drawn  
an Act, Which Will Be  
Agreed On.

## PROVIDES LABELING OF ALL THE PACKAGES

Prohibits Common Carriers From  
Collecting for Liquors Either  
Before or After Delivery Must  
Deliver to Consignee, and  
Label Must Show the  
Quantity.

Times-Dispatch Bureau.  
Washington, January 10.  
It is now the purpose of those interested in such legislation to get together on an interstate liquor bill and pass it through Congress. The Knox bill will most likely be accepted by both houses, this provides for the labeling of all packages by the shipper so that every one who desires to read the tag can see what and how much his neighbor is getting for Christmas or any other day.

For a long time temperance advocates have tried to force Congress to pass some sort of a measure that would give the States authority to prevent the shipment of intoxicants from one State to another by selling them under the authority of State laws before they reach the consignee, whether they are imported for sale in violation of the laws of the State, or for personal use, which is not a violation of the laws of the State.

In discussing this proposition Senator Knox, of Pennsylvania, who is considered one of the ablest constitutional lawyers in the country, said: "The effect of such a law would be to regulate, if not to prohibit, the sale of liquor by one State to purchase those articles for his own use in another State, as the right to a delivery of goods to the purchaser is essential to the right of sale, and is essential to commerce in the interstate sense."

Continuing, he asked: "If citizens of a State may lawfully use these articles and may lawfully have them in their possession for personal use, why should the national government be asked to regulate their transportation to be so interstate as to prevent their delivery, even if it could constitutionally enact a law?"

In the case of Scott vs. McDonald, 165 U. S. 51, the court held: "So long as the State legislation continues to recognize wine, beer and spirituous liquors as articles of lawful consumption and commerce, so long must continue the duty of the Federal courts to afford such use and commerce the same measure of protection under the Constitution and laws of the United States as is given to other articles."

"There are some constitutional questions closed beyond dispute," declared Senator Knox.

"One of them is that Congress can neither add to the States, nor take away from them, any power. I think no one can seriously question the proposition that as the law now stands, under the decisions of the court, it is not within the police power of the State nor within the power of the States to prevent the delivery of liquor to the States, and if the passage of an act, such as is proposed in pending liquor bills, would enable the States to interrupt interstate shipments it could scarcely be denied that the additional power was given to the States by an act of Congress. In other words, the police power of the States would be extended by an act of Congress, which is a constitutional absurdity."

But Senator Knox did not stop here. He has given his opinion what can be done—telling just how far Congress can go. He said, "I believe it is within the police power of the States to legislate against devices resorted to by shippers and carriers whereby liquors are attributed to other than bona fide consignees. I think it is an excellent statute upon this subject. It is likewise of the opinion that Congress, by legislation acting directly upon carriers, can prevent them from becoming agents for vendors in other States in collecting for liquors upon delivery and will gladly support a bill covering that field."

Conclusions of Senator Knox.  
"My conclusions are," said he, "first, interstate shipments are not completed until they reach the consignee; second, an interruption of the interstate shipments before they reach the consignee constitutes a regulation of commerce; third, regulating interstate shipments is an exclusive function of Congress; fourth, Congress can not delegate to the States the exclusive power to the States; fifth, to remove the bar or impediment of exclusive Federal power which shuts the States out of the Federal domain, and thereby allows them to enter that domain, is to permit or sanction a State law in violation of the Constitution, and in effect to delegate a Federal function to the State."

Closing, he declared: "For these and other reasons assigned, I am constrained to believe that the bills we have been considering."

Provisions of Bill.  
But later Mr. Knox drew a bill, and Mr. Clark, of Wyoming, introduced it, and it is the one on which Republicans and Democrats may agree.

The bill provides: "That any employee of a common carrier who shall knowingly deliver any intoxicating liquors, which have been shipped from one State to another, or a foreign country into a State, to any person other than the one to whom they have been consigned, unless upon written order in each instance of the bona fide consignee, or to any fictitious person, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and fined not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not more than two years."

"That any common carrier or person who shall, in connection with the transportation of intoxicating liquors, collect the purchase price, before or after delivery, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

"That it shall be unlawful for any person to ship any package of intoxicating liquors from one State into another, unless such package be so labeled as to show the quantity of liquor contained therein."

## SINGS WAY INTO HEARTS OF PEOPLE

Crowds Attend Song Service  
in Auditorium, Bijou and  
Overflow Meetings.

## STRONG SERMON ON SPIRITUAL DEATH

Dr. Chapman Speaks on the Un-  
certainties of Life, the Dangers  
of Procrastination and Nec-  
essity for Insurance Against  
Eternity—The Three  
Requirements.

## Program for To-Day.

12 o'clock noon—Southern Railway shops, Manchester, Mr. Asher.  
4 P. M.—Leigh Street Baptist Church, Rev. C. T. Schaeffer.  
8 P. M.—Auditorium, Dr. Chapman.  
8 P. M.—First Baptist Church, Rev. Ora Samuel Gray.  
8 P. M.—Station Methodist Church, Rev. D. S. Tor.  
8 P. M.—Fulton Baptist Church, Rev. Thomas Neffham.  
8 P. M.—Broadway Memorial Church, Rev. C. T. Schaeffer.  
7:30 P. M.—Central Methodist Church, Manchester, Dr. Granstaff.

NOT for many years have such audiences gathered in Richmond for religious services as yesterday afternoon and last night thronged the City Auditorium and the sectional and overflow meetings, churches and public halls in every part of the city being crowded to their capacity. Deep earnestness prevailed, large proportions of each audience being evidently of church-going people.

The afternoon meeting at the Bijou Theatre overflowed to the First Baptist Church, which was well filled. At other churches there were meetings for women only for young people and for children, all being well attended. The greatest crush came last night at the City Auditorium, when the crowd began to assemble in the streets soon after 6 o'clock. At 7:40 P. M. the doors were closed, with every seat in the house filled, and a platform taken, and a few minutes later there seemed an almost equal crowd outside.

Before 8 o'clock orders were given for opening St. Andrew's Episcopal Church for an overflow meeting, and to quicken the pace, the church was quickly opened, and the overflowed crowd of men, women and children, all being well attended. The overflowed crowd of men, women and children, all being well attended.

The usual church practice, preliminary to the night service, was changed into song service, appropriate to Sunday evening. Mr. Charles M. Alexander, leading in the enthusiastic way that has gained him the good will of both the church and the community, was choir and congregational leader. The choir and congregation, all being well attended.

It was an inspiring sight to see the great congregation rise to its feet at the close of the address, choir, floor and gallery joining in several familiar hymns. Beside the main entrance, Chief Warden and Policeman "Pop" Tate held the way, joining powerfully in singing "At the Cross." Fire chief James Inspected every part of the building during the service, and his men were on hand to see that there was no blocking of exits or standing in the aisles.

A hush of intense interest pervaded the house until the close of the solo which followed the sermon. The deep attention showed that it was heard in every part of the building. Extra stoves have been added, and there was plenty of warmth.

In the opening song service Mr. Alexander noticed a row of children on the front bench, and taking no notice of them, he continued his sermon. Stopping the piano, he asked, "Can you children sing?"

"We haven't got a book," came back a piping voice. They were quickly supplied, and Mr. Alexander promised them if they would come back to-night to sing. After Mr. Naffziger had sung, "I'll Be Present When the Roll is Called," volunteers were called for from house and gallery, a tenor in the chorus rising and rendering the verse.

Crowd in Streets Sing Hymns.  
"Now everybody rise and sing. We will have a good treat for all who will sing 'All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name,'" and it was a sight to see the vast crowd come to its feet as one man, while the swelling tones of the old hymn rolled in unison from gallery to choir. The scene of the singing reached into the streets adjoining, and the echo coming back at the end of each verse showed that the great crowd in the streets outside, unable to enter, was joining heartily in the music.

As the scripture lesson, Dr. Chapman recited from memory the twenty-third Psalm, after which Mr. Naffziger sang with fine effect, "Shadows."

"I suppose we should feel rejoiced that we have gotten to-night while thousands are outside," said Dr. Chapman. "Now rest your feet and stand and sing. Just Lean Upon the Arm of Jesus," and the congregation seemed to swing forward like a great wave as it rose. Mr. Alexander leading in his full, rich voice. "Those are beautiful words, aren't they?" said Mr. Alexander, after several verses. "Now will you all join in—all together, on the last verse."

The sound of a crying child in the street was heard.

## TWENTY-FIVE MEN KILLED IN A MINE

Another Fatal Explosion Oc-  
curs in Joe Leiter's Fa-  
mous Zeigler Colliery.

## AN EXPERT HAD JUST MADE EXAMINATION

Disaster Caused by Gas Explosion  
from a Trolley Spark—Leiter  
Leads First Relief Expedition,  
While His Young Wife  
Comforts Widows and  
Orphans.

DUQUOIN, ILL., January 10.—A disastrous explosion in which twenty-five men lost their lives, occurred to-day in Joseph Leiter's famous colliery at Zeigler. A spark from a trolley pole of an electric motor, coming in contact with a pocket of gas, is assigned as the cause of the explosion.

American killed by the explosion include Foreman Willis Warner and Albert Kerr.  
Eight bodies yet remain in the mine, but they will be recovered before morning, it is thought.

Leiter Leads in Rescue.  
Mr. Leiter personally conducted the first relief party that descended into the mine to recover the bodies. The lone survivor of the explosion was an Italian youth, who escaped unharmed.

An expert who had been experimenting with the gas in the mines at Zeigler left on Wednesday, confident that he had placed the mine in safe condition to be operated.

The men entombed were engaged in clearing away the debris caused by the recent fires in the mine, and it was expected that operations would be resumed this week, after two months' suspension.

Mrs. Leiter, There.  
The bodies taken from the mine are badly mangled. Twenty-six men entered the mine on the night shift.  
The explosion was peculiar. No noise was heard or shock felt at the passage of the shaft. Only a puff of smoke was seen.

Mrs. Leiter is at Zeigler, and she went to the mouth of the mine with her husband, aiding in quieting the widows and orphans who crowded about the mine. She furnished coffee and sandwiches to the men at work recovering the bodies.

## CHURCH COLLAPSED

Forty Bodies Have Already Been Taken From the Ruins.  
BERNE, SWITZERLAND, January 10.—During divine service to-day, an ancient church near Sion suddenly collapsed, burying the worshippers in the ruins. Practically all the members of the congregation are injured.

A wild panic followed, those who escaped rushing through the fields, shouting that an earthquake had overtaken the village. Other villagers joined in the outcry, and were with difficulty rescued from the ruins.

After an hour's exertions the fire company of the place extricated forty corpses, but it is believed that there are still a number under the timbers. Sixty persons were badly injured.

The cause of the disaster is believed to have been the time worn pillars in the underground crypt giving way.

## SURPRISED TO DEATH

Lieutenant of Police Succumbed When Inspectors Suddenly Made Appearance.  
NEW YORK, January 10.—Automobile inspector deputy commissioners and inspectors of the Police Department, swept through Brooklyn early to-day, paying unexpected visits to the stations of the various precincts. Consternation was created in many of the station houses, and there was one tragic case in the results of the raid.

Lieutenant John P. Callahan, of the Vernon Avenue Station, was taken so much by surprise when an inspection party suddenly made its appearance that he collapsed and was dead before a physician could reach him.

## WANTS TO SETTLE

Venezuela Anxious to Adjust Her Differences With Foreign Countries.  
WILLEMSTAD, January 10.—Rumors are in circulation here to the effect that the Venezuelan government has cabled to General Manuel A. Matos, in Paris, to stay there, and that it is the government's intention to charge him with the task of settling the controversies between Venezuela and Holland in case those governments will not accept former Foreign Minister Jose de J. Paul as the arbiter.

## MOTIVE IS LACKING

Many Interesting Developments Turn Up in Michigan Murder Case.  
DETROIT, MICH., January 10.—To-day's developments tend to throw considerable light on the Battle River Church murder mystery in St. Clair county. Motive for the killing of Gideon Browning, whose dead body was partly burned in the church stove, is still lacking. Rev. J. H. Carmichael, missing pastor of the church, was reported during last night and to-day to have been seen in Indiana, in Chicago and Wisconsin.

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A good deal of surprise had been manifested over the almost complete cremation of the body, and the fact that a few bones and fragments of flesh being left.

It was discovered also that, instead of trying to burn the body, the pastor of the church, the interior of the shed being visible from the stairway in the moonlight, he left his rig in the shed back of the church, and the center of the road. Here the horse was not seen by any one passing. The preacher's footprints between the two churches have been traced, and the fact of the deformity that caused him to turn one foot outward as he walked.

## THE MOVEMENT GROWS

Full Ten Thousand in Cleveland Try to Live Like Christ.  
CLEVELAND, O., January 10.—The movement begun last Sunday by 1,800 young people of this city, who have assumed a scope far beyond the expectations of its promoters. Fully 10,000 volunteers have volunteered to join the movement, and are now being organized into squads to walk in His steps. Even city officers are taking an interest, and are recommending that Jesus would do it if he were a city officer.

Many interesting experiences have been related by those who have completed the movement. They say that they cannot carry the practice into business. Others say they can. The best also has brought out a host of interesting experiences.

Discussions are rife in homes, churches, in clubs and in newspapers as to what Jesus would do if he were a city officer. The coming week will be the concluding period of the official test.

## LIQUOR FIGHT IS ON

Carloads of Petitioners for Both Sides Advance on Nashville.  
CHATTANOOGA, TENN., January 10.—More than four carloads of anti-prohibitionists, bearing a petition to the Legislature, are en route to Nashville to-day, to-night left for Nashville. The petition is signed by more than 5,000 persons, including every banker and all the manufacturers of Chattanooga.

Nearly two carloads of prohibitionists, left for Nashville on the same train to present their side of the question to the committee on liquor traffic in Nashville Monday night.

Memphis Jolts In.  
MEMPHIS, TENN., January 10.—A special train bearing about 150 business men, and a number of State opponents to and advocates of State-wide prohibition, left here to-night for Nashville to aid in the furtherance of the cause of Prohibition.

Those who favor prohibition were appointed at a mass-meeting held this afternoon, while those of the party opposed to the proposed measure are a committee named at a joint meeting of the different commercial organizations of Memphis held Friday.

## CHARRED BODY FOUND

Remains Discovered in a Barn—Husband and Another Arrested.  
MARION, IND., January 10.—A mysterious murder was uncovered to-day when the charred body of a woman was found in a barn near the residence of Thomas Wilson, Indiana. The husband of the woman was killed and the barn fired.

The husband of the woman who separated from her a week ago, and Levi Sutton, who is charged by Ricks with alienating his wife's affections, have been arrested. A cab driver says that he drove Mrs. Ricks and a stranger man to the barn at 11 o'clock Saturday night.

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## SUFFRAGISTS SCORE

After Hearing Arguments, Central Federated Union Indorses Them.  
NEW YORK, January 10.—At a meeting of the Central Federated Union, a deputation of woman suffragists, headed by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, was heard.

## WHITE AGAINST BLACK

Platol Duel Will Probably Result in Death of Both.  
YAZOO CITY, MISS., January 10.—In a pistol fight early to-day at Silver City, near here, D. S. Sproles, a prominent planter, was perhaps fatally wounded by Vess Davis, a negro, who was instantly killed.

## DEMOCRATIC GOVERNOR

Inauguration at Columbus, Ohio, To-Day.  
COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 10.—Governor Andrew L. Harris, Republican, will give away at noon to-morrow the State Executive to Hudson Harmon, Democrat, of Cincinnati.

It is expected that fully 100,000 visitors will witness the inauguration. There will be a parade in which 25,000 marchers will take part.

## ATTACKS GIRL GOING ALONE TO EARLY MASS

Miss Marie Stumpf Beaten,  
Robbed and Almost Killed  
by Brutal Negro.

## CRIES SAVED HER FROM AWFUL DEATH

Charles Gillespie, the Assailant,  
Quickly Caught and Locked  
Up, Speedy Trial Being Or-  
dered by Judge Witt—Find  
Direct Evidence of His  
Guilt.

WHILE on her way to confession and mass at St. Mary's Church at 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning, Miss Marie L. Stumpf, daughter of Mr. E. A. Stumpf, was held up, attacked and robbed in an alley between Grace and Franklin Streets, on First, and within two hours afterwards Charles Gillespie, a notorious negro character, had been arrested by Policemen Tiller and Flournoy, with convincing evidence of guilt upon him, and shortly after locked up in the City Jail to be held for trial until Miss Stumpf can appear in court.

Perpetrated in the heart of the city and in one of the best parts of its residential districts, the attack was the most cowardly and brutal among those recorded in police annals. Miss Stumpf was terribly beaten about the face and head before Mr. Irvin M. Poole and Miss Blanche Anderson, of No. 1020 West Taylor Street, arrived in time to scare the negro away.

Decisive Action.  
Action by both Major Werner and Judge Witt was immediate and decisive. As soon as Gillespie had been arrested, Judge Witt ordered that he be taken to the City Jail, and that when Miss Stumpf was able to come to court he would summon a special grand jury and hasten the trial by ever means known to law. "Lynchings," he said, "are caused by the law's delay, but there will be no lynching in this case. With such convincing evidence as the police have and the assurance of a speedy trial, Gillespie will probably go to the chair within forty days."

Gillespie was arrested while standing calmly on the corner of Beech and Main Streets having his shoes shined. As Flournoy and Tiller approached him they noticed that his trousers were muddy, they saw that his clothes answered to the description given them, and then as they got nearer, they saw him trying to rub blood stains from his hands. It was enough. They grabbed and searched him, finding Miss Stumpf's signet ring in his pocket.

That was the final clue, and in a quarter of an hour he was in the Second Police Station under such a cross-examination that he was too confused to make any denial, but a negro of denials and excuses of palpable falsity. His clothes were covered with blood stains and mud, showing that he had been through a struggle. Other articles, supposed, and afterwards proved to have been stolen, were also found in his possession.

The capture was regarded as a good piece of work on the part of the officers, two of the new men on the force, and they were warmly commended by the public. There was no demonstration at the time or after the arrest. The police acted quietly and quickly, and Gillespie was locked up in the City Jail where the public knew he had been arrested. A thin negro, young men and boys went to the Second Station afterwards, but they were curiosity seekers and not a crowd that would cause disturbance.

Streets Were Deserted.  
Miss Stumpf left home about 6:30 o'clock, when it was still dark. She spoke to her mother as she went out, but did not go on ahead. At First and Main Streets she noticed a negro standing on the corner, and thinking that he might go on, pretended to be waiting for a car. But he did not budge, and she decided to continue her way. Before she got to Franklin Street she was seized, and she was told to get into a car. As she passed to the other square she ran out into the middle of the street, hoping that some passerby might be attracted by her plight. But the street was deserted.

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Attack Most Brutal.  
"Give me your money," he demanded furiously, and clutched at her throat. She freed one of her hands and gave him the 15 cents she was taking for the electric car. He demanded more, and she gave up her signet ring. He repeated his demands, striking her again and again. "My papa will give you all the money you want if you'll only let me go," she pleaded.

"Give me everything you've got," he demanded, and she gave him the ring. He repeated his demands,